

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
HONOLULU, HAWAII

REPORT TO THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2008 REGULAR SESSION

IN RESPONSE TO ACT 154
OF THE TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE 2000, REGULAR SESSION
REQUIRING THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE TO REPORT ANNUALLY
ON ALL MONEYS DEPOSITED INTO AND DISBURSED FROM
THE PESTICIDE USE REVOLVING FUND

November 2007

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Annual Report to Legislature for Fiscal Year 2007

Background

In the Twentieth State Legislature, Regular Session of 2000, Act 154 was passed which amended Chapter 149A-13.5 to add subsection (f), which requires the Department of Agriculture to submit an annual report to the legislature on all moneys deposited into and disbursed from the pesticide use revolving fund. The following information is reported:

1. Licensing and registration fees and charges collected by the department for pesticides products and training fees;
2. Expenditures for registration and licensing, certification and education, and compliance monitoring activities;
3. Fees set for educational services and training;
4. Interest earned on the deposit or investment of the funds; and
5. Balance lapsed into the State general fund.

A. Pesticide Use Revolving Fund Revenue:

Licensing and registration fees and charges collected by the Department for pesticides products and training fees are the two sources of revenue for the Pesticides Use Revolving Fund. In FY 2006, \$720,285 in licensing fees was collected. Pesticide licensing fees were increased from \$225 for three years to \$270 for three years beginning on January 1, 2007.

Rules effective on December 16, 2006 enable the Department to collect fees associated with pesticide training. A few other trainers provide fee for service training and to avoid State competition where either the University or private trainers can provide training at a reasonable cost, Department staff only provide training when there is a shortage of training opportunities, and fees of \$25.00 per hour and travel costs is charged. A total of \$325 in training fees was collected in FY 2007.

B. Pesticide Use Revolving Fund Expenditures

Expenditures for registration and licensing, certification and education, and compliance monitoring activities for funds in fiscal years prior to FY 2007 and disbursed during FY 2007 totaled \$271,650. Funds expended or obligated in FY 2007 are as follows:

1. Registration and Licensing

Personnel costs for four staff in the Certification and Registration Section were charged to the pesticide use revolving fund. These personnel are the section chief and registration

specialists, who are most directly related to the licensing of pesticides and collecting of pesticide-licensing fees. Personnel costs were \$291,805.

The following projects were funded in this area:

Project	Contractor	Amount
Review liquid termiticide environmental fate data	University of Hawaii, Water Resources Research	\$24,530

Miscellaneous expenses for this activity area include subscriptions to reference materials, postage and delivery charges, office supplies and other miscellaneous expenses. Total support from the pesticide use revolving fund for pesticides registration and licensing was approximately \$315,000.

2. Certification and Education

A consumer education contract with the Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition was issued. This project is used to provide poison prevention information and strategies to prevent children from opening cleaner and pesticides storage cabinets. It also provides funds for a toxicologist to visit Hawaii to provide training for physicians in the recognition and management of pesticide poisonings.

The University of Hawaii, Pesticide Risk Reduction Program received funding to print quarterly newsletters, and provide other pesticide education services.

About \$40,000 was spent on motor vehicle replacements.

Project	Contractor	Amount
Consumer Education	Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition	\$73,300
Certified Applicator Continuing Education	University of Hawaii	\$24,990

Miscellaneous expenses for this activity include office supplies and intrastate travel associated with administering certification tests on Kauai. Total support from the pesticide use revolving fund for the certification and education program was approximately \$145,000.

3. Compliance Monitoring

Compliance monitoring expenses were related to purchasing scientific supplies, laboratory equipment, other materials and supplies and rental, repair and maintenance of equipment. In addition funding is used to pay for utility costs at the Chemical Analyses Laboratory. Total support from the pesticide use revolving fund for compliance monitoring was about \$35,000.

- C. Training Fees Established:** A fee of up to \$25.00 per hour for educational services or training provided by the Department was established. The effective date of this fee was December 16, 2006.
- D. Interest Earned:** \$30,165.
- E. Funds returned to General Fund:** None. However, \$205,104 in unexpended and unobligated funds in excess of \$250,000 will be returned to the General Fund in FY 2008.